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A.-(a), (b), (c) & (d) The Government have not the information asked for: nor is there any report or return from which it could be readily compiled.

(e) The power to split up villages and appoint additional karnams is

vested by law in the Board of Revenue.

## Civil Justice

Relations of the Sarishtadar of Guntur District Court.

\*1377 Q.—Mr. G. R. PREMAYYA: With reference to the answer to question No. 44 answered on 23rd August 1927, will the hon the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether the District Munsif of Gurazala is the brother-in-law of

the Sarishtadar of the Guntur District Court?

(b) whether there are clerks in Judicial service in the district who are

the Sarishtadar's nearest relations; and

(c) whether the Sarishtadar of the Guntur District Court has been in the district for the last five years?

A.-(a) & (b) The Government have no information.

(c) The present Sarishtadar took up his duties on 5th July 1923.

Muhammadan clerks in the Judicial department, Vizagapalam and Ganjam districts.

\* 1378 Q.-Mr. TAJUDDIN SAHIB: Will the hon, the Law Member be pleased to state-

(a) the number of Muhammadan clerks employed in the Civil Judicial

department of Vizagapatam and Ganjam districts;

(b) whether it is a fact that there is not a single Muhammadan clerk either in 60 to 80 grade or 80 to 120 grade in the above two districts; (c) whether there are no qualified Muhammadan clerks to be promoted

to these grades in these districts;

(d) whether there are any unpassed non-Muhammadan clerks in the above grades in the two districts; (e) whether the policy of promoting unpassed and unqualified clerks to

the higher grades is still observed in spite of the existence of Muhammadan passed men; and

(f) whether deafness of clerks is taken as a disqualification for

promotion to the higher grade?

A.—(a) Vizagapatam—Two. Ganjam-One.

(b) The facts are as stated by the hon. Member.

(c) Vizagapatam-There are no qualified Muhammadan clerks. Ganjam-There is one Muhammadan clerk who, though not declared eligible for University courses of study, has passed the Civil and Criminal Judicial Tests.

(d) Yes. (e) No.

(f) The answer depends on the degree of deafness and the extent to which the defect will affect the clerk's efficiency in the discharge of a particular kind of duty.